

KIT CARSON COUNTY ARRA FUNDING AND PROJECTS

- ❖ **Based on the latest information available to the Governor's Office.** This report is not comprehensive because new Recovery Act awards are announced frequently. This does not include funds - including income tax cuts, increased COBRA benefits, increased funds to cover Medicaid services and others - that cannot be broken down by county. The numbers below represent funds that have been awarded and are expected to be received over the life of the Recovery Act. The funds are distributed to a wide range of groups in the county and do not necessarily touch county government.

COMMUNITY SERVICES / SAFETY NET:

- \$55,926** Community Services Block grant to Colorado East Community Action Agency County Region (MCSA) (Including Kit Carson, Cheyenne, Elbert, and Lincoln counties) for poverty reduction and revitalization of low-income communities. Funds will be used to provide services to low-income residents of Elbert, Lincoln, Kit Carson, and Cheyenne Counties through Morgan Community College, the Small Business Development Center, regional workforce centers and social services departments.
- \$49,949.40** Extra 13 percent in food stamp benefits to about 500 people in Kit Carson County between April 1-October 31, 2009
- \$16,939** Grants to East Central Council of Governments to provide congregate meals for low-income seniors
- \$28,056** Grant for the Child Care & Development Fund in Kit Carson County.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

- \$309,894** Justice Assistance grant to District Attorney's Office, 13th Judicial District (Including Kit Carson, Yuma, Logan, Morgan, Phillips, Sedgwick, and Washington counties). Funds will establish a vertical model of prosecution (one prosecutor and one investigator throughout the case) for all sex assaults in the 13th Judicial District. Funds will be used to hire an experienced sexual assault prosecutor and investigator. Provide transportation to insure rapid response to crime scenes and enable the unit to meet with victims and prosecute cases in seven county courthouses.
- \$72,357** Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) grant to the District Attorney's Office, 13th Judicial District (Including Kit Carson, Yuma, Logan, Morgan, Phillips, Sedgwick, and Washington counties). Funds will be used for a Sexual Assault Resource Team (SART) Coordinator to lead the 13th Judicial District SART Program in completing established goals and developing standardized protocols used for training on quality investigations and prosecutions.
- \$41,009** Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) grant to SARA, Inc. (Benefits Kit Carson, Logan, Morgan, Phillips, Sedgwick, Washington, and Yuma counties). Award will fund a victim centered collaborative multidisciplinary effort to coordinate and improve the systems' responses of the many agencies addressing violence against women.
- \$34,515** Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) grant to District Attorney's Office, 13th Judicial District (Including Kit Carson, Yuma, Logan, Morgan, Phillips, Sedgwick, and Washington counties). Funds will be used to hire a .50 FTE Bilingual Advocate to provide mandated

judicial system victim assistance to all non English speaking, monolingual Hispanic victims of crime within the seven counties of the 13th Judicial District.

- \$28,060** Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) grant to Kit Carson County, Sheriff's Department. Funds will be used to hire a .65 FTE Day Advocate to enhance the quality and availability of victim services through the Sheriff's Department that serves a 5-county rural area.
- \$24,221** Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) grant to SARA, Inc. (Benefits Kit Carson, Logan, Morgan, Phillips, Sedgwick, Washington, and Yuma counties). Funds will be used for one .5 FTE bilingual Spanish speaking Family Advocate position to provide direct services to victims.

WORKFORCE SERVICES AND UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS:

- \$383,271** Workforce Investment Act Funds for job training to the Eastern Region (Includes Kit Carson, Logan, Phillips, Morgan, Washington, Yuma, Lincoln, Cheyenne, Sedgwick, and Elbert counties) residents
- \$268,542** Wagner Peyser (WP) & Reemployment Services (RES) to *Eastern Region (Includes Kit Carson, Logan, Phillips, Morgan, Washington, Yuma, Lincoln, Cheyenne, Sedgwick, and Elbert Counties) residents
- \$342,753** Extra 20 weeks of benefits, through the Emergency Unemployment Compensation program, for 61 people (as of June 30, 2010) in Kit Carson County.
- \$86,500** Extra \$25 per week in unemployment benefits through the Federal Additional Compensation program, for 141 people (as of June 30, 2010)
- \$36,180** Additional 13 weeks of unemployment benefits through a new state law given to 17 jobless workers as of June 30, 2010.

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT:

- \$151,086** Estimated funds to be spent for free energy efficiency upgrades in low-income homes in Kit Carson County
- \$1,719,500** Loan forgiveness to the Town of Siebert for water storage and water distribution upgrades.
- \$120,000** Energy Efficiency Conservation Block grant to the East Central Colorado RC&D for energy efficiency improvements in buildings in Elbert, Lincoln, Kit Carson and Cheyenne counties.
- \$600** Rebate for 3 people in Kit Carson County for the purchase of energy-efficient appliances including, dishwashers, refrigerators, furnaces and boilers.

EDUCATION:

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| \$145,496 | Title I funds for Low Income Schools in Kit Carson County |
| \$1,219 | IDEA (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act) Part B funds for services to disabled students in Kit Carson County |
| \$13,511 | School Lunch Assistance in Kit Carson County |